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CRYSTAL IN A LOCKED SEED LIFT GROWTH PROCESS

Examiner M. Anderson

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**AMENDMENT E**

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SIR:

In response to the non-final Office action mailed September 12, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.